REMARKS

This reply is submitted in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action dated January 12, 2006. Claims 1 and 4-26 are pending in the application. Claim 21 has been indicated as being allowable. Claims 2, 3, and 27-30 have been cancelled. Claims 1-20 and 22-26 stand rejected.

The Examiner has objected to claims 3 and 26 as being dependant upon rejected base claims. By telephone interview of February 22, 2006, Mr. Kurtzman discussed the question of the objection to claim 26 with the Examiner. It was agreed that the objection was an inadvertent error. The Examiner indicated that claim 26 is allowable. Entry of the foregoing amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2 and 4-20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) as being anticipated by Kahn (U.S. 5,326,855). Applicants respectfully disagree. In view of the amendment to the claims it is now respectfully submitted that the claims are allowable. More particularly, the Examiner indicated that claim 3 was allowable. Claim 3 has been cancelled and the subject matter of claim 3 incorporated into claim 1. Similarly, claim 2 has also been cancelled and incorporated into claim 1. In view of the amendment it is now respectfully submitted that claims 1 and 4 -20 with the incorporation of claim 3 into claim 1 are now allowable over Kahn. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 22 -25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Shigekauzu et al. Applicants respectfully disagree, claims 22- 25 now depend from allowable claim 21. In view of the amendment it is respectfully submitted that these claims are allowable. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 14 and 18 – 20 have been rejected under 35 U. S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

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The antecedent basis for "the metallocene" in claims 14, 19 and 20 has been corrected by amendment to claim 1.

The issue raised by the Examiner regarding mesh in claim 18 has been corrected by amendment. Withdrawal of the 112 rejection is respectfully requested.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request notice of such.

Respectfully submitted,

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